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In re Application of:

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
UTILIZING LONG-PATH AND SHORT-  
PATH TIMING CONSTRAINTS IN AN  
EDA TOOL FOR ROUTING

) Examiner: Tat, Binh C

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Dear Sir:

**RESPONSE TO REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.104, Applicants respectfully issue a statement commenting on  
the Examiner's reasons for allowance.